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In re Application of LAMBERT

U.S. Application No.: 10/018,318

PCT Application No.: PCT/FR01/01002

Int. Filing Date: 04 April 2001

Priority Date Claimed: 14 April 2000

Attorney Docket No.: W1028.152-US-01 (136.167)

For: CHECK LIST SYSTEM FOR FEEDBACK

DATA CONCERNING DELIVERY OF POSTAL OBJECTS OR MESSAGES

DECISION

This is in response to applicant's "Petition Under 37 CFR 1.182 to Correct the Identification of an International Application That Has Entered the National Phase" filed 18 March 2003.

BACKGROUND

On 04 April 2001, applicant filed international application PCT/FR01/01002, which claimed priority of an earlier France application filed 14 April 2000. A copy of the international application was communicated to the USPTO from the International Bureau on 25 October 2001. The twenty-month period for paying the basic national fee in the United States expired on 14 December 2001.

On 13 December 2001, applicant filed national stage papers in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US). The submission was accompanied by, *inter alia*, the basic national fee required by 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1).

On 18 March 2002, the DO/EO/US mailed a Notification of Acceptance of Application Under 35 U.S.C. 371 (Form PCT/DO/EO/903).

On 18 March 2003, applicant filed the present petition under 37 CFR 1.182, which is being treated as a petition to correct the Transmittal Letter.

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DISCUSSION

The petition states that the Transmittal Letter erroneously listed PCT/FR00/01002 as the International Application Number and that the correct International Application Number is PCT/FR01/01002. The petition further states that the error was made by inadvertent mistake. Applicant's explanation for the discrepancy is accepted.

CONCLUSION

For the reasons above, the petition under 37 CFR 1.182 is GRANTED.

This application is being forwarded to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) for further processing in accordance with this decision.

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